National Counterterrorism Center



Joseph Maguire Director of NCTC

The Honorable Joseph Maguire was sworn in as the sixth director of the National Counterterrorism Center (NCTC) Dec. 27, 2018. He previously served as NCTC's Deputy Director for Strategic Operational Planning from 2007 to 2010, and represented the Center as a part of the National Security Council's Counterterrorism and Security Group.

Prior to his confirmation, Maguire served as president and CEO of the Special Operations Warrior Foundation, a non-profit organization that provides college scholarships and educational counseling to the surviving children of fallen special operations personnel, and immediate financial grants to severely combat-wounded and hospitalized special operations personnel and their families. Prior to leading the foundation, he was a vice president with Booz Allen Hamilton.

Maguire retired from the United States Navy in 2010 as a vice admiral, culminating a 36-year career as a naval special warfare officer. He commanded at every level, including the Naval Special Warfare Command.

He earned his bachelor's degree from Manhattan College and master's in Scientific and Technical Intelligence from the Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey, California. Maguire also served as a national security fellow at Harvard University.

